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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

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Title:

SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR AN ACCESS-BASED REVENUE MODEL INVOLVING A

SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

FRAMEWORK

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Group II (Claims 7-18), drawn to a system/computer program product for generating revenue utilizing a network based supply chain management framework for prosecution in the subject application in order to advance the prosecution of this application.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

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